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MINERALS PROGRAM  
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TO: Wayne Hedberg/Permit Lead

FROM: Holland Shepherd, Reclamation Specialist HOS

RE: Review of Revised September 15, 1989, Notice of Intention,  
Barrick Mercur, M/045/017, Tooele County, Utah

Though, well organized, the plan does not specifically address some of our February 22, 1989 review questions. Using our original review letter, I skimmed the plan and came up with the following comments:

1. R613-004-150 - Maps, Drawings and Photos

Design details for Dump Leach #3 processing ponds were not addressed. I did not find these ponds on any maps. A surface facilities map might help.

I was unable to find design details for the Meadow Canyon Dump Leach.

I was unable to find design details for the Rover Hill Dump Leach facility.

2. R613-004-106 - Operation Plan

I was unable to determine the relocation of topsoil stockpiles #9 and #12.

3. R613-004-107 - Operation Practices

The operator indicates on page 50 of the plan, that a topsoil deficit of 127,362 cy exists. How will the operator make this up?

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4. R613-004-108 - Reclamation Plan

What will be the final configuration, at reclamation, of the Sacramento/Sunrise dump?

5. R613-004-113 - Surety

No reclamation surety estimate has been proposed to cover the increase in disturbed acreage.

6. R613-004-118 - Revisions

Our question having to do with exact disturbed acreage value was not addressed. The Surety Bond References Map, map 2.4-2(a), still indicates the disturbed area boundary encompasses 1673.69 acres, while the general disturbance encompasses 752.33 acres, a difference of 921.36 acres.

I would suggest that, in the future, we ask the operator to address our questions specifically, as we have done with other plans. If, as in this case, the operator provides us with a completely new volume, then the operator should specify where, in that volume, our concerns have been addressed.

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